

Figure 4. The complete DNA sequence of the coding region of *Naegleria* gene TTK (including the TAA stop codon). The segment of the gene that encodes thiaminase I is underlined. (**SEQ TD NO.** /)

ATTGATCAATTTGATCAAGGATGTTTTGCCAACTCAGGTTTCCGGATATAATATCGAATATACCGAATTTGATTGTTACA GTCAAGAGTTTGGATGAATCATTGGTTCGTGGTGTTACTGGTGATTTGCATAGTTTTGTTTCCTCAAGTGCCTCTGTCAA TGGTTCCGTTTATGGTTTCCCACAATACTTGTGCTCAAACTTTTTATTGTCCTCACCAAATGGTACTCAACAAGCATCTT $\tt CCCTTTTAGAATTGGCTCAAAAGGTTGGTTATGAACAAATTGTTTATCCAGATGTTGCCTCTTCTAGTTCTTCACAGTT$ TTCGGATTGTATCAACAATTACTCCAATCATCATCATCAGCTGCAGTTGATATCAAGGCCTCTGATCTTCCACAATCTGG TGACCAAGTCAACAAGGATATCACTCAAAAATATAGAACCATTTTGGATTCAACAGTTGTTGCCTCTCAAAGAGAATATA TTAACTCTGTAAAGCAAGGTAAACCAATTTCAAACTACTATGTCGGATATAGTGAAAGTATGTGAAATTAAGGATATC ATCAGAGATCAACAATACAATGTTCAACTCATTGGTACCTCTGATAAGCCATACGTTTATACTGATGTTTTGGCTTTGAA TTCCAATTTGTGTGATGAAAAGCAAAAGGTTGCTGTTGAAGTTATCAAGAATTTATTGACTAATACTTTAGTTTTTGGACT TGTTGGGTCTCGGATTAACTCTCCCAGCCAACAAGAATGGTATTGCTCATTTGGCTAAATCATCAAACTTTTATGCTCAA TTGAGCCAACAATTCGATGCCAAGGAAAGTGAAGTTAGAGTTTTGAGATGTTGATGTTTGCTAACAAGGAAGTTAAGAA TTGTGCTGGTGTCTTGAGACCATTCCTTCAACATATTGCTGTTGCTACTTTGCGTTGTTTGACTGCTGACACTGTCGAAA AGGCTAAGAGTGGTCACCCTGGTATGCCAATTGGTATGTCACCAATTGCCTATGTTTTGTGGAAGTTCTTCTTCAAATCA TCTAAGGATGATGTCAATTGGTTGAACAGAGATAGATTTGTTTTGAGTAATGGTCACGGTTGTACATTGCTTTATGCCAT GTTGCACCTCACTGATTGTAACTTGAGTTTGGATGATCTCAAGAATTTCAGAAGTTTGCATTCCAAGACTCCTGGTCACC CAGAATATGGTCACACTGAAGGTGTTGATGCTACTACTGGTCCATTGGGTCAAGGTGTTTGTAATGCTATTGGTATGGCT $\mathtt{CTCTCTGAAGCTCACTTGGCTGCTCGTTTCAATAAGGATGGACAAAATATCTTTGATCACCACACCTATGTTTTCCTTGG$ TGATGGTTGTTTGATGGAACGTGTTGCTATGGAAGGTCTCTCATTTGCTGGTCACCAAAAGTTGAACAAGTTGATTGTTT TCTATGATGACAATAGTATTACTATTGATGGTAAGACTGAATTGACCTTTACTCAAAATACTCCAGAAGTCATGAGAGGT TGTTACTGACAAGCCAATCATGATCGTTTGTAAGACTACAATTGGTTATTCCTCAAAGGTTCAAGGTACTGCTAAGGTTC ACGGTTCTCCATTGGGTGCTGATGGATTGAAGAATTTGAAGGAAACTTGTGGTTTCACTGGTAATGATTTCTTCCATGTT CCAGAAATTGTCAGAAAGGACTTTGCTACTGTCATTAATAGAAATAGTGAAAAGCTCTCTCAATGGAAGCAAGTTAAATC TGCCTATGATACCACTCATGCTACTGAATCCCAACTCCTCCAAAGAATGATTAATCACGAATTGGAAGGTGATGTTATGG AAAAGTTGCCAAAATACCTCGAACAAAAGAAGATTGCTACCAGATCTACATCTCAACAAGTTTTGAATGCCATCTATCCA ACCAAACAATAGAGTTGGTAGATATATCAGATTTGGTGTCCGTGAACATGCCATGGTTGCTATTGCCAATGGTATTCTCT ATCATGGTGTTCTTAGAACCTATGTTGGTACATTCTTGAACTTTGCTTCATATGCTTTGGGTGCTATCAGATTGAGTGCC TTGTCTGGTCTTCCAAATATTTATGTTTTCACTCATGACAGTATTGGTCTTGGTCAAGATGGTCCAACTCACCAACCTGT ${ t TGAAGTTTTACCAATGTTGATAGCCATTCCAAATCACATTGTTTTCAGACCTGCTGATGGTAGAGAAACCAGTGGTGCTT$ GATATTTCAAAGGTTGCTTTGGGTGCCTATGTTATCCAAGGTGATGCTACTCCTGATGTTGTCCTTGTTGGTACTGGTTC TGAAGTTTCCCTCATGGTTGAAGCTGCTGAAAAGTTGAAGGCTAACCTTAAGGTTAACGTTGTTTCCATGCCAAGTTGGG AATTGTTTGTTCGTCAATCAGAAGAATACAGGAAGACTGTCTTCCCAGATGGTATTCCAGTTGTCAGTGCCGAAGCTTCA TCAACCTTTGGTTGGACAAGCTTTGCTCACTATGCTGTTGGTATGACTACTTTCGGTGCTAGTGCTGCTGCTGAAGAAGT CAAGACTCAGCTTGTCTCTTGTTGGTGAAGAACTCTAA



Figure 5. The amino acid sequence encoded by the entire Naegleria TTK gene

(SEQ ID NO. 2)

MSTQPKTLTVGLFPYLPSWNENGNEVKLINLIKDVLPTQVSGYNIEYTEFDCYSDASLQSLPDVFSTDSIFLPYLVSLGG
VKSLDESLVRGVTGDLHSFVSSSASVNGSVYGFPQYLCSNFLLSSPNGTQQASSLLELAQKVGYEQIVYPDVASSSSFTV
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IRDQQYNVQLIGTSDKPYVYTDVLALNSNLCDEKQKVAVEVIKNLLTNTLVLDLLGLGLTLPANKNGIAHLAKSSNFYAQ
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SKDDVNWLNRDRFVLSNGHGCTLLYAMLHLTDCNLSLDDLKNFRSLHSKTPGHPEYGHTEGVDATTGPLGQGVCNAIGMA
LSEAHLAARFNKDGQNIFDHHTYVFLGDGCLMERVAMEGLSFAGHQKLNKLIVFYDDNSITIDGKTELTFTQNTPEVMRG
FGWHVIVVDKADNDLVGIKEAILEAHTVTDKPIMIVCKTTIGYSSKVQGTAKVHGSPLGADGLKNLKETCGFTGNDFFHV
PEIVRKDFATVINRNSEKLSQWKQVKSAYDTTHATESQLLQRMINHELEGDVMEKLPKYLEQKKIATRSTSQQVLNAIYP
LIPSLVGGSADLTPSNLTDVTGCQDFQPNNRVGRYIRFGVREHAMVAIANGILYHGVLRTYVGTFLNFASYALGAIRLSA
LSGLPNIYVFTHDSIGLGQDGPTHQPVEVLPMLIAIPNHIVFRPADGRETSGAYLWAVQSKKTPSSMILSRQDLPQLTGT
DISKVALGAYVIQGDATPDVVLVGTGSEVSLMVEAAEKLKANLKVNVVSMPSWELFVRQSEEYRKTVFPDGIPVVSAEAS
STFGWTSFAHYAVGMTTFGASAAAAEEVYKLLKITSDNVAEKATKLVTKYGKQAPRLSLSLVGEEL

Figure 6. The DNA sequence of the 1068 bp *Naegleria* thiaminase I segment, as cloned in pNB1+ and expressed from the 3414 base genomic sequence of gene TTK.

(SEQ ID NO. 3)

Figure 7. The encoded amino acid sequence of the expressed *Naegleria* thiaminase I gene, along with its codons, and with residues numbered (nucleotide/amino acid). (FEQ ID NO. 3/5FQ ID NO. 4)

1/1 ATG TCC ACT CAA CCA AAG ACA CTC ACT GTT GGT CTC TTC CCA TAT CTT CCT TCT TGG AAT Met ser thr gln pro lys thr leu thr val gly leu phe pro tyr leu pro ser trp asn 91/31 GAA AAT GGC AAC GAA GTT AAA TTG ATC AAT TTG ATC AAG GAT GTT TTG CCA ACT CAG GTT glu asn gly asn glu val lys leu ile asn leu ile lys asp val leu pro thr gln val 151/51 TCC GGA TAT AAT ATC GAA TAT ACC GAA TTT GAT TGT TAC AGT GAT GCT AGT CTT CAA AGT ser gly tyr asn ile glu tyr thr glu phe asp cys tyr ser asp ala ser leu gln ser 181/61 211/71 CTT CCA GAT GTT TTC TCA ACT GAT AGC ATT TTC CTT CCA TAT CTT GTT TCT TTG GGT GGT leu pro asp val phe ser thr asp ser ile phe leu pro tyr leu val ser leu gly gly 241/81 271/91 GTC AAG AGT TTG GAT GAA TCA TTG GTT CGT GGT GTT ACT GGT GAT TTG CAT AGT TTT GTT val lys ser leu asp glu ser leu val arg gly val thr gly asp leu his ser phe val 331/111 TCC TCA AGT GCC TCT GTC AAT GGT TCC GTT TAT GGT TTC CCA CAA TAC TTG TGC TCA AAC ser ser ser ala ser val asn gly ser val tyr gly phe pro gln tyr leu cys ser asn 391/131 TTT TTA TTG TCC TCA CCA AAT GGT ACT CAA CAA GCA TCT TCC CTT TTA GAA TTG GCT CAA phe leu leu ser ser pro asn gly thr gln gln ala ser ser leu leu glu leu ala gln 451/151 AAG GTT GGT TAT GAA CAA ATT GTT TAT CCA GAT GTT GCC TCT TCT AGT TCT TTC ACA GTT lys val gly tyr glu gln ile val tyr pro asp val ala ser ser ser ser phe thr val 511/171 phe gly leu tyr gln gln leu leu gln ser ser ser ser ala ala val asp ile lys ala 571/191 TCT GAT CTT CCA CAA TCT GGT GAC CAA GTC AAC AAG GAT ATC ACT CAA AAA TAT AGA ACC ser asp leu pro gln ser gly asp gln val asn lys asp ile thr gln lys tyr arg thr 631/211 ATT TTG GAT TCA ACA GTT GTT GCC TCT CAA AGA GAA TAT ATT AAC TCT GTA AAG CAA GGT ile leu asp ser thr val val ala ser gln arg glu tyr ile asn ser val lys gln gly 661/221 691/231 AAA CCA ATT TCA AAC TAC TAT GTC GGA TAT AGT GAA AGT ATG TGT GAA ATT AAG GAT ATC lys pro ile ser asn tyr tyr val gly tyr ser glu ser met cys glu ile lys asp ile 721/241 751/251 ATC AGA GAT CAA CAA TAC AAT GTT CAA CTC ATT GGT ACC TCT GAT AAG CCA TAC GTT TAT ile arg asp gln gln tyr asn val gln leu ile gly thr ser asp lys pro tyr val tyr 811/271 ACT GAT GTT TTG GCT TTG AAT TCC AAT TTG TGT GAT GAA AAG CAA AAG GTT GCT GTT GAA thr asp val leu ala leu asn ser asn leu cys asp glu lys gln lys val ala val glu 871/291 GTT ATC AAG AAT TTA TTG ACT AAT ACT TTA GTT TTG GAC TTG TTG GGT CTC GGA TTA ACT val ile lys asn leu leu thr asn thr leu val leu asp leu leu gly leu gly leu thr l 931/311 CTC CCA GCC AAC AAG AAT GGT ATT GCT CAT TTG GCT AAA TCA TCA AAC TTT TAT GCT CAA leu.pro ala asn lys asn gly ile ala his leu ala lys ser ser asn phe tyr ala gln 991/331 TTG AGC CAA CAA TTC GAT GCC AAG GAA AGT GAA GTT AGA GTT TTG AGA TGT GTT GAC TTT ,leu ser glm glm phe asp ala lys glu ser glu val arg val leu arg cys val asp phe 1051/351

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GCT AAC AAG GAA GTT AAG AAT TGT GCT GGT GTC TTG AGA CCA TTC CTT
ala asn lys glu val lys asn cys ala gly val leu arg pro phe leu

Figure 8. Comparison of the amino acid sequence of *Naegleria* thiaminase 1 (N40KAT) aligned with the sequences of *Bacillus* thiaminase (BSTP) and segments of the transketolases of six organisms. The numbering system indicated here is for the yeast transketolase.

Abbrev.	Genbank	Enzyme and Organism	
ScTKT1ct -	P23254	Transketolase of Saccharomyces cerevisiae	
CpTKT7ct -	Q42677	Transketolase of Craterostigma plantagineum	
EcTKT2ct -	P33570	Transketolase of Escherichia coli	
BsTKTct -	P45694	Transketolase of Bacillus subtilis	
MgTKT -	P47312	Transketolase of Mycoplasma genitalium	
MjPTK1 -	Q58092	Transketolase of Methanococcus jannaschii	
BSTP -	P45741	Thiaminase I precursor from Bacillus thiaminolytics	ıs
N40KAT -	>	Thiaminase I of Naegleria gruberi, aa 1-356	
ScTKT1ct	ADDVKQ	LKSKFGFNPDKSFVVPQEVYD-HYQKTILKPGVEANNKWNKLFSEYQKKFP	56
CpTKT7ct	PKEAEA	TRKNLGW-PYEPFHVPDDVKK-HWSRHIAE-GAALESAWNAKFAEFQKKFP	
EcTKT2ct	EEEVAI	ARQKLGW-HHPPFEIPKEIYHAWDAREK-GEKAQQSWNEKFAAYKKAHP	
BsTKTct		TKEAYAWTYEEDFYVPSEVYE-HFAVAVKESGEKKEQEWNAQFAKYKEVYP	
MgTKT	EVDFQI	FEKRTNT-NFNFFNYPDSIYH-WFKQTVIERQKQIKEDYNNLLISLKDK-P	
MjPTK1			
BsTP		KPLMVMLALLLVVVSPAGAGAAHSDASSDITLKVAIYPYVPDPARFQAAVL	
N40KAT	MSTQP	KTLTVGLFPYLPSWNENGNEVKLINLIKDVLPT	
Comvet at	EI CAEI ADI	RLSGQLPANWESKLPTYTAKDSAVATRKLSETVLEDVYNQLPELIGGS	112
ScTKT1ct		ITGELPTNWESIFPTYTPENPGLPTRTLSHQILNGLGDVLPGLLGGS	112
CpTKT7ct EcTKT2ct		RMSGGLPKDWEKTTQKYINELQANPAKIATRKASQNTLNAYGPMLPELLGGS	
BsTKTct		AIKGELPKDWDQEVPVYE-KGSSLASRASSGEVLNGLAKKIPFFVGGS	
	•	VIDSDFQALYLNQLDEKKVAKKDSATRNYLKDFLNQINNPNSNLYCLN	
MgTKT		MVKLSGVYKGMRKGYGETLIELGKKYENLVVLD	
MjPTK1		SVKLEF-TDWDSYSADPPDDLDVFVLDSIFLSHFVDAGYLLP-FGSQD	
BsTP N40KAT		GYNIEY-TEFDCYSDASLQSLPDVFSTDSIFLPYLVSLGGVKSLDESLV	
NAORAI	0/30	:	
ScTKT1ct		TRWKEALDFQPPSSGSGNYSGRYIRYGIREHAMGAIMNGISAFGANYKPYG	
CpTKT7ct	ADLTLSNMA	AFLKNSGDFQKKSPGE RNVKFGAREHAMGSICNGLALHSPGLLPYC	A
ECTKT2ct	ADLAPSNL?	riwkgsvslkedpagnyihygvrefgmtaiangiahhg-gfvpyt	A
BsTKTct	ADLAGSNK?	TTIKNAGDFTAVDYSGKNFWFGVREFAMGAALNGMALHG-GLRVFG	G
MgTKT		CFIKIGDDNLHENPCSRNIQIGIREFAMATIMNGMALHG-GIKVMG	
MjPTK1	ADLSGS	TOTAMFAKEFPERFFNAGVAEQNMIGMAAGLATTGKIVFA	S
BsTP		PFALQGAKRNGEVYGLPQILCTNLLFYRKGDLKIGQVDNIYELYKKI	
N40KAT	RGVTGDLHS	SFVSSSASVNGSVYGFPQYL <u>C</u> SNFLLSSPNGTQQAS-SLLELA	Q
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		Catalytic Cys	
ScTKT1ct		YAAGAVR-LSALSGHPVIWVATHDSIGV-GEDG-PTHQPIETLAHF 2	22
CpTKT7ct	TYFVFTD-	YMRAAMR-ISALSKARVLYIMTHDSIGL-GEDG-PTHQPVEHLASF	
EcTKT2ct		YARNAAR-MAALMKARQIMVYTHDSIGL-GEDG-PTHQAVEQLASL	
BsTKTct	TFFVFSD-	YLRPAIR-LAALMGLPVTYVFTHDSIAV-GEDG-PTHEPVEQLASL	
MgTKT	TFLAFAD-	YSKPAIR-LGALMNLPVFYVYTHDSYQV-GGDG-PTHQPYDQLPML	
MjPTK1		RAWEIIRNLVAYPKLNVKIVATHAGITV-GEDG-ASHQMCEDIAIM	
BsTP	TSHSEQIPI	PPQNKGLLINMAGGTTKASMYLEALIDVTGQYTEYDLLPPLDPLNDKVIRGL	
N40KAT	KVGYEQIV	YPDVASSSSFTVFGLYQQLLQSSSSAAVDIKASDLPQSGD-QVNK	
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		(SEQ ID NO.12) Peptide A -> ASDLPQSGD-QVNK	
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Figure 8, continued.

ScTKT1ct CpTKT7ct EcTKT2ct BsTKTct MgTKT MjPTK1 BsTP N40KAT	RSLPNIQVWRPADGN-EVSAAYKNSLESKHTPSIIALSRQNLPQLEGSSIESASKGG 278 RAMPNILTLRPADGN-ETAGAYRAAVQNGERPSILVLARQKLPQLPGTSIEGVSKGG RLTPNFSTWRPCDQV-EAAVGWKLAVERHNGPTALILSRQNLAQVERTPD-QVKEIARGG RAMPNLSLIRPADGN-ETAAAWKLAVQSTDHPTALVLTRQNLPTIDQTSEEALAGVEKGA RAIENVCVFRPCDEK-ETCAGFNYGLLSQDQTTVLVLTRQPLKSIDNTDSLKTL-KGG RAIPNMVVIAPTDYY-HTKNVIRTIAEYKG-PVYVRMPRRDTEIIYENEEEATFEIGKGK RLLINMAGEKPSQYVPEDGDAYVRASWFAQ-GSGRAFIGYSESMMRMGDYAEQVRFK DITQKYRTILDSTVV-ASQREYINSVKQGK-PISNYYVGYSESMCEIKDIIRDQQYN : de B -> TILDSTVV-ASQR (56R TD NP-/3)
ScTKTlct	YVLQDVANPDIILVATGSEVSLSVEAAKTLAAKNIKARVVSLPDFFTFDKQPLE- 332
CpTKT7ct	YVISDNSRGGNSKPDVILIGTGSELEIAARAGDELRKEGKKVRVVSLVCWELFAEQSEK-
EcTKT2ct	YVLKDSGGKPDIILIATGSEMEITLQAAEKLAGEGRNVRVVSLPSTDIFDAQDEE-
BsTKTct	YVVSKSKNE-TPDALLIASGSEVGLAIEAQAELAKENIDVSVVSMPSMDRFEKQSDE-
MgTKT	YILLDRKQPDLIIAASGSEVQLAIEFEKVLTKQNVKVRILSVPNITLLLKQDEK-
MjPTK1	ILVDGEDLTIIATGEEVPEALRAGEILKENGISAEIVEMATIKPIDEEIIKK
BsTP	PISSSAGQDIPLFYSDVVSVNSKTAHPELAKKLANVMASADTVEQALRPQADGQ
N40KAT	VQLIGTSDKPYVYTDVLALNSNLCDEKQKVAVEVIKNLLTNTLVLDLLG-
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ScTKT1ct	YRLSVLPDNVPI-MSVEVLATTCWGKYAHOSFGIDRFGASGKAPEVFKFFGFTP 385
CpTKT7ct	YRETVLPSGVTARVSVEAGSTFGWERFIGP-KGKAVGIDRFGASAAPERLFKEFGITV
EcTKT2ct	YRESVLPSNVAARVAVEAGIADYWYKYVGL-KGAIVGMTGYGESAPADKLFPFFGFTA
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MgTKT	YLKSLFDANSSL-ITIEASSSYEWFCFKKY-VKNHAHLGAFSFGESDDGDKVYOOKGFNL
MjPTK1	SKDFVVTVEDHSIIGGLGGAVAEVIASNGLNKKLLRIGINDVFGRSGKADELLKYYGLDG
BsTP	YPOYLLPARHOV-YEALMODYPIYSELAQIVNKPSNRVFRLGPEVRT-WLKDAKQVLP
N40KAT	-LGLTLPANKNG-IAHLAKSSNFYAQLSQQFDAKESEVRVLRCVDFANKEV
NAOKAI	- DODI DE MANAGE - I MIDANOSNI I RODDO QUE DANGO I VIVE DE CASTANTA
	Peptide C -> SSNFYAQLSQQFDAK (5EQ ID No.14)
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CpTKT7ct	EAVVA-AAKEIC (SEQ ID NO. 6)
EcTKT2ct	ENIVAKAHKVLGVKGA (5 FQ ID No. 7)
BsTKTct	PNVVNRVKALINK (S FQ ID No. 8)
MgTKT	ERLMKIFTSLRN (SEQ ID NO. 9)
MjPTK1	ESIAKRIMEEMKKE (SEQ ID NO.16)
BsTP	EALGLTDVSSLAS (\$EQ ID No. 11)
N40KAT	KNCAGVLRPFL (SEQ LD NO. 4)
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